

The position taken by the New York World, the leading democratic paper of the country, on the contest for the democratic nomination, is of interest. As usual it is striking, and here it is:

"If the democrats expect to elect a president next fall they must go into the campaign with a stronger candidate than Speaker of the House of Representatives. For Mr. Clark personally The World has only the friendliest feelings, but his nomination for president would be equivalent to a certificate of election for his republican opponent.

"Like New York and New Jersey, Connecticut has elected a democratic governor since 1908—and by the grace of the independent vote, Mr. Fair's plurality over Mr. Bryan in Connecticut was 44,660, and Champ Clark's nomination would give the state to the Republicans too.

"New York, New Jersey and Connecticut have 66 of the 71 electoral votes that much unquestionably be gained in order to elect a democratic president. Champ Clark can never get them. To nominate him is to give these votes to the republican candidate, whoever he may be.

"Where, then, are the democratic votes coming from? Ohio? Indiana? They have only 39 electoral votes between them, and Champ Clark has no special strength in either of these states. He has no special strength anywhere, and it would be difficult for the democratic party to name a more vulnerable candidate.

"The World is not seeking to force a candidate of its own upon the democratic party. It is merely dealing with the political situation as it exists. We had hoped that it would not be necessary to treat Mr. Clark's candidacy seriously. That was a compliment we had paid to the intelligence of Western and Southern democrats, but it was a compliment which we now find was undeserved. The sooner, then, that the plain, blunt truth is stated in the frankest possible fashion the better.

"Champ Clark's nomination would be democratic suicide!"

THE REAL BOSS OF THE U. S.

One of the most important reports ever made by a congressional committee, says the Commoner, is the statement recently issued by the Stanley steel trust investigating committee. The committee finds that twenty-three directors of the steel trust control investments in industries and banks aggregating \$17,755,000,000. Ten billion dollars of the eighteen billion of railway capital is controlled by these steel trust directors and through this influence they dominate prices of commodities, banking business, telegraph tolls and insurance rates. The story of this report is told by the following:

With a guiding hand on a controlling percentage of the capital invested in railroads and an influential voice over banking and industrial wealth in the United States, the steel corporation, according to a statement issued by the Stanley steel investigating committee, is the real "money trust."

Of the eighteen billions of dollars invested in railroads in the United States, the steel corporation, through its directors, controls more than ten billions.

Through this influence, the steel trust, it is alleged, is able to control the prices of steel rails, steel cars, of locomotives, car wheels, of bridges and of all other steel equipment for railroads.

Reaching out to aid this giant among industrial organizations, it is charged, its directors have identified themselves with other industrial concerns with a total capitalization of \$2,803,509,348; with banks, trust companies and life insurance companies whose capital, surplus and deposits aggregate \$3,314,811,178; with express, steamship, telegraph, street railway and terminal companies capitalized at \$1,271,778,890.

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Members of the Stanley committee are appalled at the magnitude of the interlocking industries uncovered by their research.

They feel that they have found a concrete money trust that is charged with destroying competition, with shaping or delaying development, with building and wrecking fortunes.

BRYAN ON THE SITUATION.

Commoner: In his speech at Boston Mr. Fair intimated that after all, Theodore Roosevelt is "not necessary to the life of the nation." It will occur to a great many people that the man who is important enough to select his successor as president of the United States is not to be sneered at—just because he is now trying to name a successor to his successor.

Salem is to have an electric fountain presented to the city by the late E. M. Walte, a monument to his generosity.

The new officers of the Independent Colleges of Oregon, recently meeting at Philomath, are J. H. Wryter, Dallas, president; M. R. Drury, Philomath, vice-president; F. G. Franklin, Albany, secretary. The next conference will be held at the office of the state superintendent in Salem on Feb. 18, 1913.

A new Post will be out tomorrow, which means that you are to see Riley Lobaugh and get one, a good edition, like all of them.

EAST END MEETING

That East Albany has not received its share of municipal improvements and that West Albany has more than its just share of representatives on the city council, were some of the claims made by the speakers at a meeting of the East End Improvement Club, held in Holiness hall last evening.

The meeting was called to order promptly at 8 P. M. by J. H. Goins, Fred Harris acting as temporary secretary.

A report was presented from the committee having in charge the petitions for the grading and graveling of Hill and Pine streets and it developed that these petitions were being generally signed by the residents of East Albany and will be presented to the council in the near future.

The matter of erecting the new City Hall was discussed at some length but inasmuch as the same will not be constructed during the present year no action was taken by the club.

W. A. Eastburn, president of the Albany Commercial Club, was present at the meeting, and talked along general improvement lines. While contending that East Albany has not received its share of improvements in the past, he gave it as his opinion that the municipal authorities will be fair in dealing with east end questions in the future. He urged the members to co-operate with the Commercial Club in inducing manufacturing enterprises to locate in this section of the state.

A. W. Bowersox and Wm. Hand, former members of the city council, were present and spoke on municipal improvement questions.

The meeting was fairly well attended and the members of the club are of the opinion that the new organization will accomplish a great deal for the residents and property owners in East Albany.

HOME FROM MEXICO

Knox Haight, for years and years salesman for the Spaulding Buggy Co., now also automobiles, has returned from as far south as Mexico, bringing his scalp back with him. While there Mr. Haight saw a couple of skirmishes in which several were killed. While at El Paso one of the Spaulding Salesmen was hit by a bullet fired from across the line in Mexico, causing a bad wound. He immediately sued the Mexican government for heavy damages. The fighting there is all on the bushwhacking order.

Few salesmen in the U. S. have covered a wider field, all the way from Florida to Washington and Montana to the Gulf of Mexico, among opossums, permissos, blizzards and Greasers.

ALBANY.

Have your feet attended to by Mrs. Driver, 739 E. 2. Bell 361-J.

Wedding rings, Engagement rings, Friendship rings, F. M. French & Son, The celebrated Black Shells have arrived at Baltimores.

The 1912 Dayton and Daytonia bicycles at the Albany Gun Store.

All kinds of job printing at the Rookledge Printery, over Woodworth's.

Everybody is asking what are the little musical signs pasted over town?

If you appreciate the best try Quality Brand Ice Cream at the Jersey Milk Depot, 325 Lyon street.

When you want something good to eat remember The Dressed Beef Co., 2nd & n

Masek, the new tailor, has recently received a complete line of new goods and is now prepared to make your clothes in Albany.

A dead cat at the corner of Ferry and Third streets lay on the ground when the Mayor got busy, and there was something doing.

The oratorio chorus will practice at the First Presbyterian church tonight at 7 o'clock. It is hoped that all the singers can be present.

The Epworth League convention recently in session at Eugene, will meet next year at Corvallis. Harry McCain, a Brownsville boy, now of Willamette theological seminary, was elected president. Clyde Williamson of this city is one of the vice presidents.

Getting Together.

Representatives of the U. of O. and O. A. C. will meet at the office of Gov. West on May 11 to discuss the relationship of the two schools. The truth is that both are somewhat frightened at the move towards uniting the two schools and see the need of being good and adjusting studies there will not be too much doubling up. If the schools are kept separate there should be less conflict.

White Slavery Lecture.

Leah Barrall, a converted white slave, spoke last night at the Evangelical church, a plain story well told, by a young woman in earnest for the betterment of womankind. She deserves to be heard by all. Tonight she will speak at the Christian church and tomorrow night at the opera house. Go and hear her.

The Weather.

Range of temperature, 78-50. The river is 6 feet. Prediction: fair tonight and Thursday.

Two more Fords have been sold, these to John C. Tammien of West Albany and C. E. Faber.

MISFITS.

Another circus—coming, the real thing.

Bring in the first radish and get a notice.

Several sweet peas are up, a charming flower.

Looks like summer again. Genuine welcome.

Lyon will soon be a business street of frames, the mistake of its life.

What to eat this week, is a heading. Just depends upon the pocketbook.

Ten brass bands are going to blow for Champ Clark at a meeting in Mo.

Guggenheim left a fortune of \$92,000,000, a sweet morsel for his descendants to live on.

There are other things in Salem than the pen and bug house; but just now the pen is it.

Physical culture is a great thing, so is hoeing in the garden. Now is the time to try the latter.

There is news in Albany which if printed would make this misfit man take a hike like a meteor.

An Albany man, bound to have a button hole bouquet, appeared with a common dandelion; but there are worse flowers.

The farmers of Linn county will make the Portland road laws look like a slough when they get through with them in Nov.

It took a genius to discover that a canary gets no pay for singing, and there is generally the most religion in the unpaid choir also.

A man down at Salem has sent the Democrat a long article to prove that everybody goes to hell. It will simply get a misfit mention.

An ex. says blonds are more apt to have weak eyes than brunettes. Some of the brightest eyes the Misfit Man ever looked into were those of blonds.

Ships are now being constructed so the Titanic disaster cannot be repeated. Probably strike somewhere else, and explosions are bound to occur when the engines are overtaxed.

A real friend never leads one astray.

Times are improving. An auto race without a casualty is reported.

Satan is getting ready to close some of the churches during the summer months.

A La Grande couple after being divorced for thirty years have just been remarried. There's heroism for you.

The lawn mower has to get a hump on to keep up with the growth of the grass these days, now lush and lusty.

An eastern paper wonders if Senator Bourne will lose his faith in the people by reason of his defeat in Oregon.

One sign of progress is declared to be the absence of the old-fashioned torch-light procession in political parades.

A man in Portland asked a policeman where Minute Street was. Then he explained that he wanted Sixty-second street, and fled.

What an uncertain old world this is: An up-to-date building just erected back east collapsed. Like the Titanic it was supposed to be absolutely safe.

Wilson and Clark continue to be neck and neck, with prospects of neither having the necessary two-thirds, which might mean some one else.

Make the best of everything.

New houses going up on all sides.

The average woman had rather have a voter than a vote.

On May 11 talk good roads, and get in practice.

The man who just lives for himself has a narrow existence.

The President is about to make a whirlwind campaign of Ohio. These cyclonic campaigns don't always end right side up.

No more paid superintendents of the pen, says Gov. West. In this case the Gov. is mightier than the pen.

Business Change.

Carter & Robson have sold their business to Waldo Anderson, who will hereafter run it in connection with his machinery business. Carter & Robson own the large reinforced concrete block, and also the property at the present site of Walter M. Parker's bakery, upon which they will erect a brick the coming fall. Hence they will be busy anyway.

It pays to advertise. The Democrat said: Bring in the first radish and get a notice. J. H. Walker has the distinguished honor of being number one, presenting the Misfit man with a fine bunch grown at his place.

A feature of the campaign not pleasant is the fact that both the Wilson and Clark management have attempted to injure the reputation of the other candidate. Both Wilson and Clark are strong men, and either will undoubtedly make a successful run against Tait for the presidency.

The poor man, if he had an automobile, would take all of his friends riding all the time, but when he gets rich and gets one he is just like other people.

THE WORLD

Clark carried a Washington convention, with a storm.

The Governor has set the penitentiary brick yard to work.

Rev. Richeson, the Boston mashing minister, is t ohang May 19.

Mrs. Geo. Pullman has just quit Hawaii because the officials there didn't treat her dawg right, but wanted to quarantine him just like common ill-bred curs.

An effort is being made at Portland to get an independent candidate to run on the republican ticket against Lafferty, whose election is said to be probable otherwise.

Rev. Walter Hinson, Portland's ablet preacher, has resigned the pastorate of the White Temple. The inside of it has not yet been fathomed by the Portland newspapers; but they are at work on the text.

In the heat of a divorce suit in Portland the man got mad and struck the wife in the face. About that time Judge Lynch should have got busy enough to have at least frightened the cur.

Among the many strong attractions to be provided at the Portland Rose Festival this year will be "The Bridge of the Gods," the great open air spectacle which achieved such fame at the Astoria Centennial.

A Long Hat Pin Did It.

A Seattle dispatch says: A long hat pin worn by a woman in a second avenue street car probably will result in E. J. Anderson losing the sight of his right eye. The car was crowded, and when it started with a jerk, the woman swayed toward Anderson and the point of the long pin penetrated the eye. Anderson at first felt little pain and went to his home, not learning the woman's name, but remembering that she wore two long hat pins.

The Democrat gives this item for the purpose of calling attention to the fact that there is in Albany an invention, that of W. L. Gilchrist, which would have prevented the accident. He has a safety arrangement for placing on the sharp end of the pin, easily and quickly adjusted, that is an absolute insurance against accident.

Tonight at the Albany Opera House Leon W. Washburn offers Statson's original Uncle Tom's Cabin with all the added features which have made this company famous. A good show is promised by the management and it is anticipated that hundreds of children who have not had the opportunity to witness this historical play will take advantage of the opportunity offered this evening.

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Great was May 6, the birthday of Sec. Knox, Jeff Davis, Admiral R. E. Peary and Oscar W. Underwood. But that is not in the class with May 7, the birthday of the Daily Democrat.

On the dates given below round trip tickets will be sold from Portland to the points in the East shown below, and many others, at greatly reduced rates quoted. Four home agents will sell these tickets, via The North Pacific and Great Northern Railways. In connection with the THROUGH TRAINS EAST.

Details of schedules, fares, etc., will be furnished on request. Final return limit October 31, 1912. Stopovers and choice of routes allowed in each direction.

September 4, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 30, 31, 1912.

August 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 12, 15, 16, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30, 31, 1912.

July 2, 3, 6, 7, 11, 12, 15, 16, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30, 31, 1912.

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May 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 24, 29, 1912.

DATES OF SALE.

22.50 Milwaukee

22.50 Kansas City

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AT THE COURT HOUSE

Marriage licenses: Oscar J. Powell, aged 24, and Ruth Dorothy Rankin, 19, both of Albany; Frank Palmer, 24, of Cottage Grove, and Mary Roe, 18, Albany, both born in Oregon.

New Cases:—

J. O. Willoughby against Mildred Willoughby, for divorce. Marriage 1904, children one, Velma, aged 7. Charge—desertion since 1909. Weatherford and Weatherford, attorneys.

Oregon Electric Co. against Louis D. Bates et al. Suit for injunction to prevent the defendants from interfering with the construction of a railroad under a right-of-way over property in which the defendants claim an easement. Carey & Kerr and Gale S. Hill attorneys.

Probate:—

In estate of Chas. Keifer, personal property ordered turned over to heirs. In estate of Guy McCartney, incompetent, annual report was approved.

Deeds recorded:

Helen B. Whipple to William Curtis et al, 2 acres\$80

S. R. Olson, of Westfield, Mass., has been in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Stone, of Oklahoma, have been in the city.

Peter Harget, a prominent Halsey man, was in the city this afternoon.

Banker A. J. Johnson, of Corvallis, arrived this noon on an Albany trip.

Mrs. John Fisher went to Corvallis this afternoon for a visit with her daughter.

Mr. Carl Power, of Pendleton, was an Albany visitor, and it wasn't all Pendleton blankets this time.

T. S. Townsend, of the T. S. Townsend Creamery Co., of Portland, arrived this noon while on a trip up the valley looking for more cream.

Miss June Shepherd, after a visit with her cousin, Mrs. D. S. Smith, this afternoon went to Eugene, where she is residing now. She recently came from Boise, Idaho.

D. J. DuBrulle, a former Albany printer, was in the city on his way to his home at Corvallis when Eugene, where he had been to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, J. Pironi.

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